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MINISTRY OF FOOD & AGRICULTURE

(Department of Food)

ORDER

New Delhi, the 9th August 1957

S.R.O. 2580.—In exercise of the powers, conferred by Section 3 of the Essential Commodities Act, 1955 (10 of 1955), the Central Government hereby makes the following Order, namely:—

1. **Short title, extent and commencement.**—(1) This Order may be called the Rajasthan Gram (Prohibition of Export) Order, 1957.

(2) It extends to the district of Shri Ganganagar in the State of Rajasthan.

(3) It shall come into force at once.

2. **Definitions.**—In this Order, unless the context otherwise requires,—

(a) "export" means to take or cause to be taken out of the district of Shri Ganganagar in the State of Rajasthan by any means whatsoever;

(b) "Gram" includes split gram and products thereof;

(c) "State Government" means the Government of the State of Rajasthan.

3. **Prohibition of export of gram from the district of Shri Ganganagar.**—No person shall export or attempt to export or abet the export of gram from any place within the district of Shri Ganganagar in the State of Rajasthan to any place outside it:

Provided that nothing contained herein shall apply to the export of gram—

(i) not exceeding five seers in weight in the aggregate by a *bona fide* traveller as part of his luggage; or

(ii) on Government account; or

(iii) under and in accordance with Military Credit Notes.

4. **Powers of entry, search, seizure, etc.**—Any Police Officer not below the rank of Assistant Sub-Inspector and any other person authorised in this behalf by the State Government may, with a view to securing compliance with this Order or to satisfying himself that this Order has been complied with,—

- (1) stop and search, or authorise any person to stop and search, any person, boat, motor or any vehicle or receptacle used or capable of being used for the export of gram;
- (2) enter and search and authorise any person to enter and search any place;
- (3) seize or authorise the seizure of any article in respect of which he suspects that any provision of this Order has been, is being or is about to be contravened, along with the packages, coverings or receptacles in which such article is found or the animals, vehicles, vessels, boats or conveyances used in carrying such article and thereafter take or authorise the taking of all measures necessary for securing the production of the packages, coverings, receptacles, animals, vehicles, vessels, boats or conveyances so seized, in a court and for their safe custody pending such production.

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